

**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

09/918,689

Examiner

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**-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--**

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to December 20, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-20.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some\* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

**THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.**

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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JAN 10 2006

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Charles Griggers on January 6, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1- A customized form output apparatus, the apparatus comprising:

- a) electronic data storage in a unitary business machine with a top, bottom, front, back and two sides, for storing preselected customized forms;
- b) a display on said unitary business machine connected to the data storage for displaying information identifying stored forms;
- c) a selector connected on said unitary business machine connected to the data storage for selecting forms from the display; and
- d) an integral hard copy printer in said unitary business machine connected to the data storage for printing a hard copy of said forms as selected, wherein dimensions of the unitary business machine conform with approximate dimensions of a printed hard copy of one of said forms.

Claim 10- A wall mounted print on demand form kiosk comprising:

- a) a unitary box with a top, bottom, front, back and two sides,
- b) an electronic data storage means for storing customized forms in electronic form located within said unitary box;
- c) a flat panel display means connected to said data storage means for displaying information identifying stored forms;
- d) a touch screen selection means connected to said data storage means overlaying said flat panel display means for selecting forms from the display means;
- e) an integral hard copy printer means connected to the data storage means for printing a hard copy of a form as selected by a user, wherein the unitary box is conformed in size to approximately match the length and width of a sheet of letter sized or legal sized paper; and
- f) a power source connected to the unitary box.

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Claim 17- A method of providing customized printed forms from a wall mounted print on demand form kiosk comprising the steps of:

- a) constructing a unitary box with a top, bottom, front, back and two sides;
- b) connecting a hard drive within said unitary box for storing electronic copies of customized forms;
- c) connecting a flat panel display on said unitary box and to said hard drive for displaying information identifying stored forms;
- d) connecting a touch screen selector to said hard drive and overlaying said flat panel display for selecting forms from the display;
- e) connecting a hard copy printer within said unitary box and to said hard drive for printing a hard copy of a form as selected by a use;
- f) connecting a power source to said unitary box;
- g) loading customized forms on said hard drive;
- h) selecting a form to be printed: and
- i) printing said form, wherein the box is the approximate size of a length and width of a sheet of paper that is used in printing the form.

***Response to Amendment***

2. In papers filed on December 20, 2005 applicant amended claims 1, 3, 10, 16 and 17.

***Response to Arguments***

3. Applicant's arguments, filed December 20, 2005, with respect to claims 1-20 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-20 has been withdrawn. Applicant also agreed to correct the 112 issues for claims 1, 10 and 17 via an examiner amendment listed above.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

4. Claims 1-20 are allowed.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art and the prior art of record, specifically Gerbaulet does not teach or suggest a unitary business machine that is approximately the same size of a printed hard copy of one forms in combination with other limitations of the claim..

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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***Contact Information***


6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to (Iraq) Alan Rahimi whose telephone number is 571-272-7411.

The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. 8:00 - 4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L Coles can be reached on 571-272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-2600.

  
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January 6, 2005

  
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